

REMARKS

At the outset, the Applicant wishes to thank Patent Examiner Victor S. Chang for the many courtesies extended to the undersigned attorney during the Personal Interview on July 30, 2008, at the U.S.P.T.O. The substance of this Personal Interview is set forth in the Examiner Interview Summary, and in this Amendment.

The amendments to this patent application are as follows. The objected-to terminology "only one" has now been cancelled from all of the pending claims. In addition, in the claims the term "six layer composite" has been cancelled, and has now been replaced by a four layer, or a five layer, composite material. Also, the Specification has been amended to support the claimed four layer or five layer composite material.

Thus, there are two types of new claims that include additionally added features for clarifying and distinguishing the present invention from the prior art. One set of claims is directed to the four layer composite material (new claims 36 and 37) and the second set of claims (amended claims 31 and 32) is directed to the five layer composite material.

With regard to the four layer composite material, the first

web and the second web are simultaneously in the spaced apart position. With regard to the five layer composite material of claim 32, four layers comprising the adhesive (23), the release layer (24), the web (25), and the further layer (26), are applied by co-extrusion to the substrate web (22). In claim 31 having a five layer composite material, the first web and the second web are simultaneously in a spaced apart position.

Support for the concept of co-extrusion is found in the present Specification on Page 2 in lines 9 to 11 and on Page 2 in lines 14 and 15.

Support for the concept of simultaneously being spaced apart is found in the present Specification on Page 4 in lines 7 to 10 and on Page 2 in lines 16 to 18.

The Patent Examiner stated that this proposal appears to overcome the previously made formal rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112. Also, the Patent Examiner stated that it would be necessary for him to conduct a further search of the prior art in order to look for these proposed amendments to the claims before a determination is made as to the patentability of all of this subject matter.

For all the reasons set forth above, and because there are no

prior art rejections, it is believed that the present invention, and all the claims are allowable, and that the present patent application is in condition for allowance.

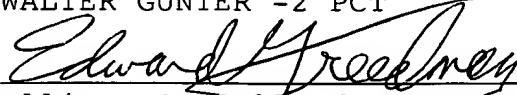
Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112 is respectfully requested.

The case cited by the Patent Examiner, namely *Ex Parte Grasselli et al.*-Bd. Of App. 231 PQ 393, Affd. 738 F 2d 453 (Fed. Cir. 1984), is not relevant, because of all the amendments to the claims discussed above.

Because there are now four independent claims, enclosed is a check in the amount of \$220.00. This is to pay for adding one extra additional independent claim in excess of the three originally paid for independent claims, for a Large Entity. The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

A prompt notification of allowability is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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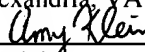
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Enclosure: 1. Copy of Petition for Three Month Extension of Time
(Large Entity)
2. Check for \$220.00 for Extra Independent Claim

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